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Sir:

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97, Applicants herewith submit the publications and/or patents shown on the attached form PTO-1449, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application.

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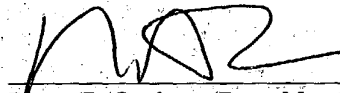
X are enclosed herewith; or  
\_\_\_\_\_ have been cited in the parent application, and are thus not being resubmitted  
herein.

Early examination and allowance of the present application are respectfully solicited.

#### **FEE AUTHORIZATION**

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